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BANGKOK FOR AMBASSADOR REED

E.O. 11652:N/A
TAGS: PINT, CE
SUBJECT: SUBASINGHE DENIES THAT HE WILL RETIRE

REF: (A) COLOMBO 750, (B) COLOMBO 787

1. IN A PRESS CONFERENCE MARCH 5, T. B. SUBASINGHE, RECENTLY RESIGNED MINISTER OF INDUSTRIES AND SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS, DISCUSSED SOME OF HIS DIFFERENCES WITH PRIME MINISTER BANDARANAIKE'S GOVERNMENT AND DENIED THAT HE PLANNED TO QUIT POLITICS. "ONE DOES NOT RETIRE FROM POLITICS," HE SAID, AND ADDED THAT HE PLANNED TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE PEOPLE.

2. HE REVEALED THAT ONE OF THE AREAS IN WHICH HE HAD BEEN OVERRULED DURING HIS TENURE IN THE CABINET HAD BEEN HIS PROPOSAL TO NATIONALIZE SOME OF THE MULTI-NATIONAL DRUG FIRMS (PRESUMABLY INCLUDING PFIZER). HE ALSO COMPLAINED THAT THE PM HAD NOT CONSULTED ALL OF THE CABINET BEFORE HER SUDDEN PROROGATION OF T 39-OPAL STATE ASSEMBLY LAST MONTH. HE HAD LEARNED OF THE ACTION FROM THE MORNING NEWSPAPERS.
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3. COMMENT: SUBASINGHE APPEARS TO BE LEAVING HIMSELF OPN FOR BIDS, IF NOT A DRAFT. HE WOULD BE A WELCOME CATCH FOR THE NANDA ELLAWALA BREAK-AWAY GROUP (WHICH SUBASINGHE'S SON-IN LAW HAS ALREADY JOINED.)
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